



# VolunteerBloomington!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "Don't ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive, and go do it. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive."  
~ Howard Thurman

Nov. 13, 2013

## Holiday Hoopla – Dec. 7

People like you make the Holiday Hoopla happen! All are warmly invited to join Girls Incorporated in ringing in the holiday season at Holiday Hoopla, from 9-11:30 a.m. on Dec. 7 at Fountain Square Mall. Volunteers will cook a hot pancake breakfast in the ballroom, assist with a "kids only" shopping area, and manage the always-popular gingerbread house-building for the kids. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Lucy Berger at [lberger@monroe.girls-inc.org](mailto:lberger@monroe.girls-inc.org) or (812) 336-7313 or Kristi McCann at [kmccann@monroe.girls-inc.org](mailto:kmccann@monroe.girls-inc.org). ([www.girlsinc-monroe.org](http://www.girlsinc-monroe.org))

## Buskirk-Chumley Theater Volunteer Orientation– Dec. 8

The show can't start without you! Usher at the Buskirk-Chumley Theater downtown and you will ensure that patrons enjoy their experience at this beautifully restored performance venue. Not only that, but if you volunteer twice or more in a month, you earn a complimentary ticket for a show the following month! The next volunteer orientation is at 7 p.m. on Dec. 8. Minimum age is 12. Please contact Regine Richter-McClain at (812) 323-3020 or [volunteer@buskirkchumley.org](mailto:volunteer@buskirkchumley.org). ([www.buskirkchumley.org](http://www.buskirkchumley.org))

## Breakfast with Santa – Dec. 14

Kick off the holiday season with . . . pancakes! Volunteer cooks, servers and greeters can get in the spirit at the Monroe County YMCA's third annual Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 14. With your help, this special family event will be a great success! Minimum age is 18; 12 if with an adult. Please contact Angela Dilts at (812) 961-2155 or [adilts@monroecountyyymca.org](mailto:adilts@monroecountyyymca.org). ([www.monroecountyyymca.org](http://www.monroecountyyymca.org))

## Habitat ReStore Volunteer Orientation

Join a fun group of volunteers at the Monroe County Habitat ReStore! ReStore sells gently used home goods to the public, sponsoring Habitat for Humanity homes with the proceeds. Your first step is to attend one of the short orientation sessions, which are held regularly. Minimum age is 16. Please contact Sandy Myers at [volunteerrestore@monroecountyhabitat.org](mailto:volunteerrestore@monroecountyhabitat.org) or (812) 331-2660. ([www.monroecountyhabitat.org/restore](http://www.monroecountyhabitat.org/restore))

## Sort Toy Donations

Imagine a warehouse filled with toys, games, stuffed animals and warm clothes. Now imagine yourself with other volunteers, sorting and choosing donated toys and gifts for particular boys and girls, to be distributed to these underserved children at the Salvation Army community center on Dec. 19. This fun little daydream can come true for you, if you volunteer. And it will make the dreams of hundreds of children and their families come to life! Scheduling of volunteer groups is very flexible, with shifts both during the day and in the evening. Minimum age is 16; 14 if with an adult. Please contact Peter Iversen at (812) 336-4310 ext. 102 or [peter\\_iversen@usc.salvationarmy.org](mailto:peter_iversen@usc.salvationarmy.org). ([www.bloomington.salvationarmyindiana.org](http://www.bloomington.salvationarmyindiana.org))

## Community Wish List Spotlight

### Jill's House

Provides affordable, temporary housing in a home-like environment for caregivers and patients receiving medical treatment for physical illnesses at Bloomington-area health care facilities. To grant a wish, contact Janice Conder at [volunteer@jills-house.org](mailto:volunteer@jills-house.org) or (812) 339-5455. (751 E. Tamarack Trail; [www.jills-house.org](http://www.jills-house.org))

**Wishes:** disinfecting wipes, paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, postage stamps, new flat-screen TVs, Blu-ray DVD players, shower curtain liners, compact hair dryers, flashlights, batteries, ziploc baggies, magic erasers, dish soap

*Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.*

*The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit [bloomington.in.gov/volunteer](http://bloomington.in.gov/volunteer) or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.*

